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Montana Livestock Estimates By Counties and Districts - 1999-2001

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The Montana Agricultural Statistics Service compiles the only annual county estimates for Montana. These county and district estimates are based on livestock survey conducted at the end of 2000 and the beginning of 2001. Questionnaires were sent to a sample of farmers and ranchers throughout Montana asking for information on their livestock inventories. About 10,000 questionnaires were tabulated and summarized. Thanks to all the farmers and ranchers who participated in the survey!

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LIVESTOCK: Inventory by Counties, January 1, 1999-2001

COUNTY & DISTRICT	ALL CATTLE & CALVES				BEEF COWS & HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED			
	1999	2000	2001	Rank	1999	2000	2001	Rank
Deer Lodge	11,100	9,500	9,400	53	6,300	5,600	5,600	54
Flathead	17,300	15,700	15,500	50	7,700	7,600	7,400	52
Granite	24,600	24,000	23,000	41	17,000	16,600	15,800	39
Lake	55,000	55,000	53,000	22	32,300	35,300	33,700	17
Lincoln	4,400	3,800	3,600	55	2,600	2,500	2,500	55
Mineral	1,200	900	800	56	700	600	500	56
Missoula	12,700	11,700	12,000	52	7,800	8,000	8,000	51
Powell	51,000	51,000	50,000	23	31,500	30,000	30,000	24
Ravalli	37,100	34,600	33,000	32	20,400	19,500	19,100	34
Sanders	21,600	21,800	22,700	42	13,700	14,300	14,400	42
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
NORTHWEST	**236,000**	**228,000**	**223,000**	**--**	**140,000**	**140,000**	**137,000**	**--**
Blaine	72,000	71,000	72,000	8	47,000	47,000	47,000	8
Chouteau	44,000	45,000	43,000	27	30,000	29,000	28,600	25
Glacier	39,000	37,000	38,000	30	26,900	24,400	24,300	30
Hill	31,900	28,700	29,000	38	19,000	19,100	18,800	36
Liberty	15,800	15,600	16,000	49	10,000	10,200	10,200	49
Phillips	78,000	78,000	81,000	5	49,000	51,000	51,000	4
Pondera	28,300	29,700	28,900	39	19,100	20,900	19,400	33
Teton	59,000	55,000	56,000	19	33,700	31,900	32,300	19
Toole	20,000	22,000	21,100	45	13,300	14,500	14,400	42
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
NORTH CENTRAL	**388,000**	**382,000**	**385,000**	**--**	**248,000**	**248,000**	**246,000**	**--**
Daniels	14,000	15,200	14,400	51	9,400	10,000	9,000	50
Dawson	43,000	43,000	43,000	27	28,000	28,400	27,900	27
Garfield	57,000	56,000	56,000	19	37,000	38,700	36,500	14
McCone	33,200	35,200	36,400	31	21,500	21,600	21,300	32
Richland	58,000	62,000	61,000	14	30,500	32,300	30,400	23
Roosevelt	28,300	29,200	30,200	35	18,600	18,300	17,500	38
Sheridan	22,500	24,400	27,000	40	15,000	15,700	15,400	41
Valley	66,000	65,000	68,000	12	42,000	43,000	44,000	9
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
NORTHEAST	**322,000**	**330,000**	**336,000**	**--**	**202,000**	**208,000**	**202,000**	**--**
Broadwater	23,500	22,400	22,000	44	15,200	14,800	13,900	44
Cascade	85,000	82,000	72,000	8	53,000	55,000	50,000	5
Fergus	105,000	107,000	109,000	3	69,000	72,000	70,000	2
Golden Valley	20,900	20,300	17,200	48	12,600	12,400	10,500	48
Judith Basin	63,000	64,000	60,000	16	38,200	38,400	35,300	15
Lewis & Clark	45,000	47,000	46,000	24	24,900	26,000	26,000	29
Meagher	60,000	62,000	55,000	21	35,600	36,200	32,000	20
Musselshell	35,800	34,300	32,600	33	22,800	23,100	21,800	31
Petroleum	22,200	23,000	22,200	43	14,700	16,100	15,600	40
Wheatland	37,600	36,000	32,000	34	22,000	22,000	18,900	35
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
CENTRAL	**498,000**	**498,000**	**468,000**	**--**	**308,000**	**316,000**	**294,000**	**--**
Beaverhead	143,000	157,000	153,000	1	79,000	84,000	81,000	1
Gallatin	58,000	57,000	57,000	17	28,000	28,000	28,200	26
Jefferson	23,600	21,200	20,000	47	14,000	13,000	12,900	47
Madison	78,000	78,000	79,000	6	48,000	51,000	50,000	5
Silver Bow	9,400	8,800	9,000	54	6,000	6,000	5,900	53
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SOUTHWEST	**312,000**	**322,000**	**318,000**	**--**	**175,000**	**182,000**	**178,000**	**--**
Big Horn	94,000	96,000	90,000	4	60,000	60,000	58,000	3
Carbon	62,000	60,000	61,000	14	30,900	32,600	33,900	16
Park	45,000	44,000	45,000	26	30,400	31,200	30,900	21
Stillwater	59,000	57,000	57,000	17	34,300	35,100	33,000	18
Sweetgrass	49,000	49,000	46,000	24	31,000	33,200	30,500	22
Treasure	30,000	31,000	30,000	36	14,400	13,900	13,700	45
Yellowstone	117,000	115,000	115,000	2	45,000	44,000	42,000	11
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SOUTH CENTRAL	**456,000**	**452,000**	**444,000**	**--**	**246,000**	**250,000**	**242,000**	**--**
Carter	59,000	61,000	64,000	13	38,000	42,000	42,000	11
Custer	76,000	76,000	71,000	10	42,300	41,000	39,000	13
Fallon	41,000	41,000	42,000	29	26,000	26,700	27,700	28
Powder River	72,000	73,000	69,000	11	44,000	43,000	43,000	10
Prairie	32,500	32,100	30,000	36	19,000	18,200	17,900	37
Rosebud	87,000	85,000	79,000	6	51,000	54,000	49,000	7
Wibaux	20,500	19,900	21,000	46	12,700	13,100	13,400	46
Other	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SOUTHEAST	**388,000**	**388,000**	**376,000**	**--**	**233,000**	**238,000**	**232,000**	**--**
MONTANA	2,600,000	2,600,000	2,550,000	--	1,552,000	1,582,000	1,531,000	--

LIVESTOCK: Inventory by Counties, January 1, 1999-2001 1/

COUNTY & DISTRICT	MILK COWS & HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED				ALL SHEEP & LAMBS			
	1999	2000	2001	Rank	1999	2000	2001	Rank
Deer Lodge	--	--	--	--	--	--	500	48
Flathead	1,400	1,400	1,300	4	800	700	900	45
Granite	--	--	--	--	--	--	500	48
Lake	1,600	1,400	1,200	5	3,600	3,400	3,500	33
Lincoln	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mineral	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Missoula	--	--	--	--	1,100	1,100	1,200	43
Powell	--	--	--	--	1,300	1,100	1,300	42
Ravalli	1,800	1,600	1,500	2	4,500	4,200	4,100	31
Sanders	--	--	--	--	--	--	500	48
Other	700	500	500	--	1,700	1,500	500	--
NORTHWEST	**5,500**	**4,900**	**4,500**	**--**	**13,000**	**12,000**	**13,000**	**--**
Blaine	--	--	--	--	7,500	--	7,800	13
Chouteau	--	--	--	--	2,000	1,800	1,700	39
Glacier	--	500	500	10	--	--	500	48
Hill	--	--	--	--	800	1,000	1,100	44
Liberty	500	500	600	8	--	--	--	--
Phillips	--	--	--	--	9,000	4,900	6,000	24
Pondera	600	600	600	8	6,600	6,400	6,800	21
Teton	500	500	500	10	7,800	7,400	7,200	15
Toole	--	--	--	--	1,600	1,600	1,600	40
Other	1,000	600	700	--	700	8,900	300	--
NORTH CENTRAL	**2,600**	**2,700**	**2,900**	**--**	**36,000**	**32,000**	**33,000**	**--**
Daniels	--	--	--	--	700	700	800	47
Dawson	--	--	--	--	6,900	6,800	7,000	18
Garfield	--	--	--	--	43,000	43,500	44,000	2
McCone	--	--	--	--	13,600	10,000	8,600	10
Richland	--	--	1,200	5	5,800	5,600	7,100	16
Roosevelt	--	--	--	--	4,100	3,600	4,500	27
Sheridan	--	--	--	--	2,000	1,800	1,800	38
Valley	--	--	--	--	3,900	4,000	4,200	29
Other	400	500	300	--	--	--	--	--
NORTHEAST	**400**	**500**	**1,500**	**--**	**80,000**	**76,000**	**78,000**	**--**
Broadwater	--	--	--	--	4,400	4,400	4,200	29
Cascade	700	700	700	7	10,200	10,300	8,800	9
Fergus	--	--	--	--	6,300	6,500	6,600	22
Golden Valley	--	--	--	--	8,800	10,400	9,400	8
Judith Basin	--	--	--	--	9,000	8,500	8,600	10
Lewis & Clark	--	--	--	--	4,600	4,000	3,500	33
Meagher	--	--	--	--	6,000	6,100	6,000	24
Musselshell	--	--	--	--	10,000	9,700	8,200	12
Petroleum	--	--	--	--	4,200	4,300	3,700	32
Wheatland	--	--	--	--	20,500	18,800	15,000	5
Other	1,600	1,700	1,700	--	--	--	--	--
CENTRAL	**2,300**	**2,400**	**2,400**	**--**	**84,000**	**83,000**	**74,000**	**--**
Beaverhead	--	--	--	--	18,000	17,500	17,000	4
Gallatin	4,600	4,900	5,200	1	6,700	6,400	6,600	22
Jefferson	--	--	--	--	1,100	1,000	900	45
Madison	--	--	--	--	8,600	7,500	7,000	18
Silver Bow	--	--	--	--	600	600	500	48
Other	200	200	300	--	--	--	--	--
SOUTHWEST	**4,800**	**5,100**	**5,500**	**--**	**35,000**	**33,000**	**32,000**	**--**
Big Horn	--	--	--	--	--	--	3,000	37
Carbon	--	--	--	--	7,900	7,500	7,800	13
Park	--	--	--	--	3,000	3,100	3,400	36
Stillwater	--	--	--	--	10,400	10,700	10,400	7
Sweetgrass	--	--	--	--	11,500	11,100	12,000	6
Treasure	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Yellowstone	1,500	1,500	1,400	3	6,300	5,800	7,100	16
Other	600	600	500	--	2,900	2,800	300	--
SOUTH CENTRAL	**2,100**	**2,100**	**1,900**	**--**	**42,000**	**41,000**	**44,000**	**--**
Carter	--	--	--	--	53,000	55,000	45,000	1
Custer	--	--	--	--	5,800	5,900	7,000	18
Fallon	--	--	--	--	3,500	3,400	3,500	33
Powder River	--	--	--	--	17,800	18,300	19,500	3
Prairie	--	--	--	--	5,000	5,100	5,100	26
Rosebud	--	--	--	--	4,000	4,100	4,300	28
Wibaux	--	--	--	--	900	1,200	1,600	40
Other	300	300	--	--	--	--	--	--
SOUTHEAST	**300**	**300**	**300**	**--**	**90,000**	**93,000**	**86,000**	**--**
MONTANA	**18,000**	**18,000**	**19,000**	**--**	**380,000**	**370,000**	**360,000**	**--**

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LIVESTOCK: Inventory by Counties, December 1, 1998-2000 1/

COUNTY & DISTRICT	HOGS & PIGS				CHICKENS		
	1998	1999	2000	Rank	1998	1999	2000
Deer Lodge	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Flathead	2,600	1,500	1,700	18	--	--	--
Granite	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Lake	1,800	700	800	26	--	--	--
Lincoln	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mineral	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Missoula	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Powell	500	--	500	30	--	--	--
Ravalli	800	700	500	30	--	--	--
Sanders	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	300	700	500	--	5,500	5,000	6,000
NORTHWEST	**6,000**	**3,600**	**4,000**	**--**	**5,500**	**5,000**	**6,000**
Blaine	4,400	--	6,000	10	--	--	--
Chouteau	2,800	--	2,000	16	--	--	--
Glacier	23,000	15,700	18,500	1	--	--	--
Hill	10,300	8,200	7,500	7	--	--	--
Liberty	18,000	14,800	14,000	4	--	--	--
Phillips	3,100	3,000	3,000	15	--	--	--
Pondera	17,200	15,600	16,000	2	--	--	--
Teton	14,200	13,900	13,500	5	--	--	--
Toole	10,000	8,600	10,500	6	--	--	--
Other	--	7,200	--	--	228,000	251,000	265,000
NORTH CENTRAL	**103,000**	**87,000**	**91,000**	**--**	**228,000**	**251,000**	**265,000**
Daniels	3,800	800	500	30	--	--	--
Dawson	1,300	900	1,000	24	--	--	--
Garfield	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
McCone	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Richland	500	--	--	--	--	--	--
Roosevelt	700	500	--	--	--	--	--
Sheridan	1,300	1,200	1,000	24	--	--	--
Valley	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	900	800	1,500	--	4,000	3,000	3,500
NORTHEAST	**8,500**	**4,200**	**4,000**	**--**	**4,000**	**3,000**	**3,500**
Broadwater	--	500	--	--	--	--	--
Cascade	16,300	14,500	14,700	3	--	--	--
Fergus	2,200	--	1,500	21	--	--	--
Golden Valley	2,800	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judith Basin	1,400	--	--	--	--	--	--
Lewis & Clark	2,200	--	--	--	--	--	--
Meagher	6,000	--	--	--	--	--	--
Musselshell	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Petroleum	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wheatland	10,300	6,700	6,200	8	--	--	--
Other	800	16,300	16,100	--	134,000	142,000	160,000
CENTRAL	**42,000**	**38,000**	**38,500**	**--**	**134,000**	**142,000**	**160,000**
Beaverhead	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Gallatin	4,100	--	3,100	14	--	--	--
Jefferson	2,000	1,300	--	--	--	--	--
Madison	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Silver Bow	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other	400	3,700	1,900	--	1,500	2,000	3,000
SOUTHWEST	**6,500**	**5,000**	**5,000**	**--**	**1,500**	**2,000**	**3,000**
Big Horn	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Carbon	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Park	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Stillwater	--	1,500	--	--	--	--	--
Sweetgrass	--	1,600	--	--	--	--	--
Treasure	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Yellowstone	--	--	500	30	--	--	--
Other	12,800	4,900	8,000	--	4,000	4,000	19,000
SOUTH CENTRAL	**18,800**	**8,000**	**8,500**	**--**	**4,000**	**4,000**	**19,000**
Carter	900	700	600	27	--	--	--
Custer	600	500	600	27	--	--	--
Fallon	1,000	800	600	27	--	--	--
Powder River	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Prairie	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Rosebud	1,700	--	1,500	21	--	--	--
Wibaux	700	600	500	30	--	--	--
Other	300	1,600	200	--	3,000	3,000	3,500
SOUTHEAST	**5,200**	**4,200**	**4,000**	**--**	**3,000**	**3,000**	**3,500**
MONTANA	**190,000**	**150,000**	**155,000**	**--**	**380,000**	**410,000**	**460,000**

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